

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

MAY 17 2018

Ted Strickland

Columbus, OH 43213

RE: MUR 7136

Dear Mr. Strickland:

On September 23, 2016, the Federal Election Commission notified you of a complaint alleging violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act").

On May 8, 2018, the Commission considered the complaint but was equally divided on whether there was reason to believe the Act was violated and equally divided on whether there was no reason to believe the Act was violated. Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other Matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016). A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision is not required in this matter, but if one is issued, it will be provided to you.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650 or at mallen@fec.gov.

Sincerely,

Mark Allen

Assistant General Counsel